

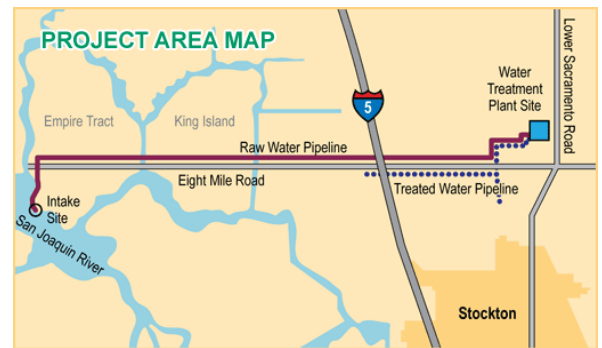


Flood control group says Corps' levee vegetation variance process flawed

The California Central Valley Flood Control Association has responded to the Army Corps of Engineers' process for seeking variances to the Corps' plan for removing vegetation from levees. The Association represents approximately 70 local agencies that manages and operates flood control in California's Central Valley. In a letter to the Corps, the Association said: "We applaud the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for attempting to develop a consistent and thoughtful way of approaching variances for approval of vegetation on levees. However, we believe there are some fundamental flaws in the draft Process as currently proposed." [You can read the letter here.](#)

Update posted for Stockton's Delta Water Supply Project

An update of the Delta Water Supply Project [has been posted here.](#) The project will provide a new supplemental high quality water supply for the Stockton Metropolitan Area. The project is necessary to replace declining surface water resources and protect groundwater supplies. It will provide for current and future water needs in the Stockton Metropolitan Area. The project is a \$217



million city of Stockton project funded through bond sales. Water from the Delta will be pumped through miles of underground pipeline located along Eight Mile Road to a new state-of-the-art surface water treatment plant. The water treatment plant will be located north of Eight Mile Road on Lower Sacramento Road.

UC Davis symposium on declining salmon set for next Wednesday

The U.C. Davis Center for Aquatic Biology and Aquaculture (CABA), the Delta Science Program, and the UCD Center for Ecological Theory will hold a symposium next Wednesday, May 5, on factors influencing the salmon decline in California and the Pacific Northwest. It will be held on the UC Davis campus from 9 a.m. to noon. [You can find details of the symposium here.](#)

Bay Delta Conservation Plan updates its schedule

The Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) schedule has been updated, [and it can be viewed here.](#) The BDCP aims to identify a set of water flow and habitat restoration actions to contribute to the recovery of endangered and sensitive species and their habitats in the Delta. The goal of the BDCP is to provide for both species/habitat protection and improved reliability of water supplies.

USFWS extends comment period on Sacramento splittail endangered status

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service last week announced it will accept comments through May 20 regarding a review of the endangered status of the Sacramento splittail. To ensure that the status review is comprehensive, the service is asking for scientific and commercial data, and other information regarding the fish. [Read more.](#)

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